

Dockless Vehicle Pilot Update

Meeting with County Executive Marc Elrich and TMD Advisory Committees Gary Erenrich – Sande Brecher County DOT

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Pilot Program Goals and Objectives

Improving Personal Mobility Choices

- Supports County Executive's Goals
 - A Greener County
 - Easier Commutes
 - Safe Neighborhoods
 - Effective, Sustainable Government
- Serves MCDOT Vision

A seamless transportation system for people of all ages, incomes and abilities that supports a vibrant and sustainable community

Answers broader need as demonstrated by regional trends





Improving Personal Mobility Choices



- First-Mile / Last-Mile connections to transit and employment
- Broader access for minorities and underserved communities
- Private interest from developers and property managers
- Support of TDM program goals
- Support of Climate Change goals
- Reduced auto trips and parking demand
- Participation from Cities of Gaithersburg, Rockville and Takoma Park



MCDOT Dockless Vehicle Demonstration Project Service Areas *

Spring 2019



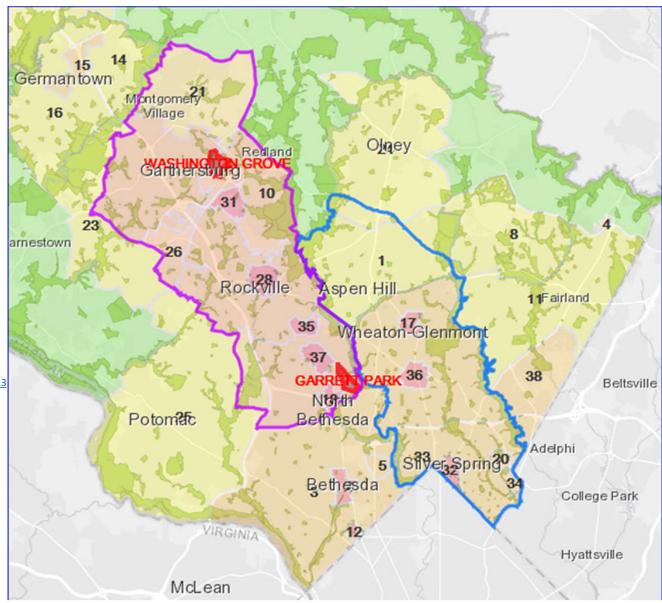
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Not Participating

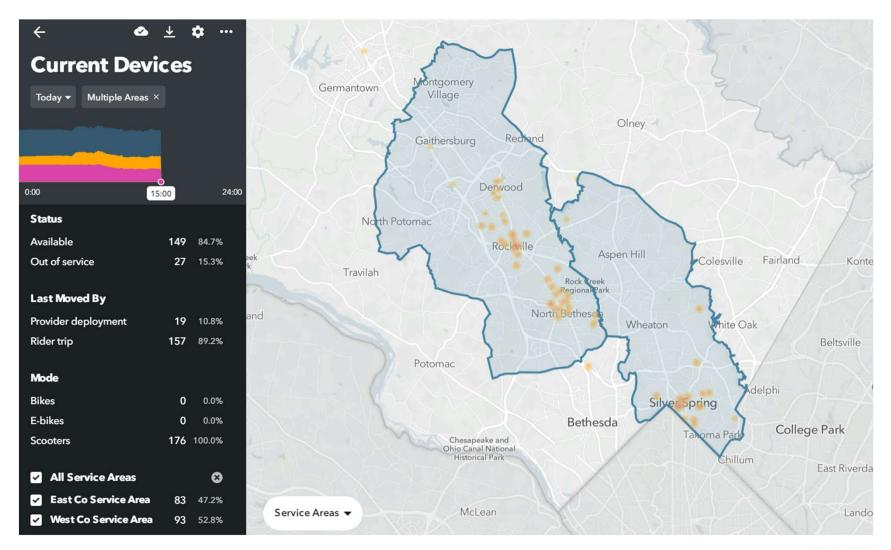
Interactive Map:

http://mcgovgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=1449ea63a4f941b6bc13 e8249d520aeb

*The · Montgomery · County · Parks · Department · is · adopting · their · own · program · ¶ regarding · use · of · dockless · vehicles · in · County · parks . · · Please · visit · their · website ¶ for · further · information : · www.montgomeryparks . org . ¶

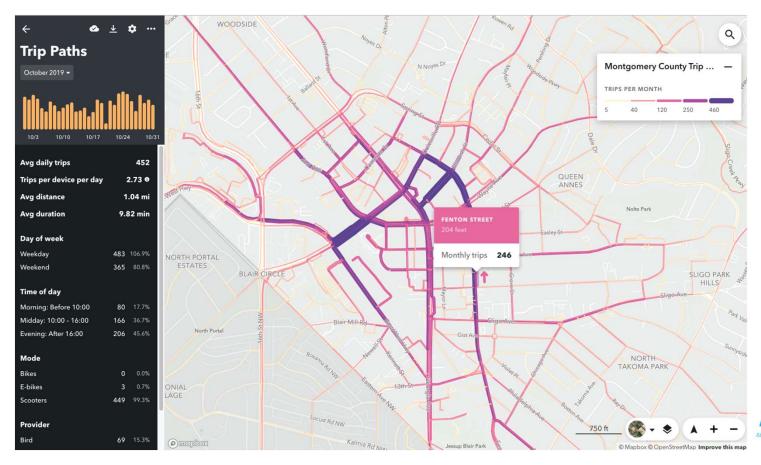








October E-scooter Trip Paths — Silver Spring





Vendor Responsibilities

- Respond to calls within established time parameters w/in 2 hrs 6am
- Responsible for customer and public information
 - ➤ Conduct regular training sessions and public education programs 1st ones on
- Display visible/tactile logo, contact information, website and phone numbers on dockless vehicles
- No more than 3 dockless vehicles per block face for each company
 - ➤ Subject to adjustment for block sizes, composition of area
 - ➤ Designated deployment areas max = 15 vehicles



Dockless Vehicle Deployment & Parking Policies

- ➤ Only permitted in public ROW, bike parking areas, designated areas, sidewalks
- May not impede pedestrian access, fire hydrants, street furniture, bus stops or interfere with traffic
- ➤ MCDOT/Cities & vendor identify deployment & preferred parking areas
- Vendor required to move improperly parked dockless vehicles
- County can remove violating dockless vehicles at vendor expense if vendor does not
- ➤ Vendors required to ensure that dockless vehicles do not impede sidewalk snow removal
- County can require removal of dockless vehicles for other special or emergency conditions



County Regulation

- Permits riding <u>non-motorized</u> bicycles on sidewalks
- Prohibits motorized vehicles on sidewalks
 - Except motorized wheelchair & similar
- E-bikes and e-scooters are not permitted to be ridden on sidewalks
- E-bikes and e-scooters must follow all Maryland bicycle codes
- County MOU with companies participating in Demonstration Project regulates:
 - Vehicle safety; Rider training Must conduct monthly training sessions
 - Parking and deployment coordination w/ County/Cities
 - Operating speed 15 mph max
 - Other operational factors e.g. hours of operation
 - Highly visible contact information required
 - o Embossed lettering for visually impaired

